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STINGERS ADVANCE TO NATIONALS FOR SECOND CONSECUTIVE YEAR

Men's Basketball Update: The 8th ranked Stingers have advanced to their second consecutive National Championship to be played in Halifax from March 16–18. The 21–6 Stingers handily defeated the Bishop's Gaiters 76–60 in the O.U.A.A. East Section Final. They disposed of the Ottawa Gee Gees 109–71 to advance to the Final. In the Ottawa game, senior forward Nick Arvanitis (Montreal, Que.) led the way with 20 points and 7 rebounds. 1989–90 O.U.A.A. All-Star Michael Cohee (Montreal, Que.) had a game high 20 points in the championship game versus Bishop's. For the weekend, Cohee was 19 for 20 from the free throw line. All-Star Centre Dino Perin (Montreal, Que.) and Arvanitis had 15 rebounds each against Bishop's while the entire Gaiter team managed 14 boards. The Player of the Game for Concordia was rookie guard Robert Ferguson (Montreal, Que.) who shut down All-Canadian David King. King finished with eight points after scoring 34 the previous night in their victory over McGill. The Stingers will play Toronto in the O.U.A.A. East Division Final Tuesday, March 6.

This Week: The Stingers face the Varsity Blues for the O.U.A.A. East Division Championship Tuesday, March 6 in Toronto. The winner will play Guelph in the O.U.A.A. Championship Saturday, March 10. Guelph defeated Western to win the West Division Championship last weekend. Should Concordia defeat Toronto, the Stingers will host the Wilson Cup league final.

A Quick Look at Toronto: The Varsity Blues defeated the Laurentian Voyageurs 87–81 to win the O.U.A.A. Central Section. The Blues finished the regular season with a 13–5 record winning 13 of their last 14 league games. They have won 10 consecutive games including their two playoff wins. The Blues' last defeat came at the hands of the Stingers Jan. 26, 1990 (83–66). Concordia defeated Toronto 96–85 earlier in the season. The Blues are led by O.U.A.A. All–Star Mark Harvey who finished second in the country in field goal percentage converting 68.5% of his shots. 1988–89 All–Star Nick Saul leads the team in scoring averaging 14.1 points while Rob Wilson contributed 21 points and 9 rebounds in their last win over Laurentian.

A Quick Look at Guelph: The #2 ranked Gryphons finished second in the O.U.A.A. West Division with an 11-3 record. Guelph upset the previously #2 ranked Western Mustangs 63-55 in the Division Final. The Gryphons are led by forward Eric Hammond who averaged 18.4 points per game. Concordia will have to keep an eye on last year's C.I.A.U. Rookie of the Year Tim Mau who averaged 12.0 rebounds per game. The Gryphons are the hottest team in the C.I.A.U. moving from #10 to #2 in three weeks.

Stinger Team Stats:

RECORD BY:

DAYS OF THE WEEK: MONDAYS 0-0; TUESDAYS 2-1; WEDNESDAYS 0-0;

THURSDAYS 0-0; FRIDAYS 11-2; SATURDAYS 5-3;

SUNDAYS 3-0.

MONTHS:

NOVEMBER 6-3; DECEMBER 3-0; JANUARY 7-1, FEBRUARY 5-2.

RECORD WHEN:

OPPONENTS SCORE: 80 or less (13-0), over 80 (8-6).

STINGER FIELD GOAL % IS: .500 or higher (10-0), under .500 (11-6).

OPPONENT'S FIELD GOAL % IS: under .450 (12-0), between .45-.500 (7-4), over .500 (2-2).

OUTSHOOTING OPP: 17-0. OUTSHOT BY OPP: 4-6.

OUTREBOUNDING OPP: 19-2 OUTREBOUNDED BY OPP: 1-3

Player Stats: (League and Playoffs)

POINTS PER MINUTE PLAYED		REBOUNDS PER MINUTE PLAYED	
Nick Arvanitis	.584	Ian Ployart	.400
Dino Perin	.576	Dino Perin	.339
Michael Cohee	.575	Ernie Rosa	.318
Ernie Rosa	.548	Nick Arvanitis	.280
Robert Ferguson	.424	Michael Cohee	.203
TEAM	.477	TEAM	.215

Stinger Stats:

PTS-Nick Arvanitis (16.3); Michael Cohee (16.1).

MIN-Nick Arvanitis (28); Michael Cohee (28).

FG%-Hugh Wallace (61.1); Dino Perin (59.9).

3F6% - Michael Cohee (44.4); Mike Baker (43.3).

FT% - Raphael Tyrrell (84.0); Dino Perin (78.8).

REB-Dino Perin (9.2); Nick Arvanitis (7.9).

ASS-Mike Baker (3.1); Robert Ferguson (2.0).

PF-Dino Perin (3.5); Ernie Rosa (2.8).

CONCORDIA STINGER BASKETBALL CAPSULES

Nick Arvanitis: The fourth year forward has been a consistent performer for the Stingers since joining the team from Vanier College. Arvanitis had a career high 18 rebounds against District of Columbia on Nov. 12, 1989. He is averaging 16.3 points per game scoring a career high of 27 points against Ryerson. Arvanitis (6–5, 202) is leading the team in scoring as well as in minutes played per game. Arvanitis has scored in double figures 25 out of 27 games this year. He has also recorded 11 double/doubles (points/ rebounds). The Montreal native was named to the Centennial Basketball Tournament all-star team for the third straight year in November. He has moved into sixth place on the Stingers' All-time scoring list with 1779 points.

<u>Dino Perin</u>: The third year center and 1989–90 OUAA All-Star had a career high 29 points against Ottawa in Concordia's first league game on November 24. Perin (6–8, 215) enjoys playing against Ottawa based teams as he had a season high 17 rebounds against Carleton in the second league game the next night. This was one short of his career high 18 rebounds set against McGill in 1987–88. Perin leads the team in rebounding averaging 9.2 boards per game and is third in scoring with his 15.6 points per game average. He is seventh in the country in rebounding. After finishing fourth in the country in field goal percentage last year with 63.9, he led the Stingers converting 60.4% in the regular season. Perin has moved into tenth place on Concordia's All-time scoring list with 1323 points.

Michael Cohee: The third year swing guard is second in team scoring this year, averaging 15.8 points per league game. Cohee (6–1, 165) had a season high 27 points against Toronto and has hit double figures in 20 games this year. One of the top defensive players in the OUAA, Cohee was recently named to the OUAA East Division All-Star team. He is the team's best 3 point shooter converting 44.4%. Cohee has averaged 5.7 rebounds a game from the guard position. He had a team high eight assists against District of Columbia (N.C.A.A. Division!) and is leading the team with 110 free throws. He has scored in double figures his last11 games and was the team MVP last year. Cohee sits number nine on Concordia's All-time scoring list with 1344 points.

Robert Ferguson: Ferguson (6-2, 186) is fourth in team scoring averaging 11.5 points per league game. He has recorded 2 double/doubles (points/rebounds) this year and has a team high 34 three-pointers. This rookie started every league game and was an All-Canadian at Vanier College in 88-89. In 1987 he was named the CCAA Championship MVP. Ferguson had a career high 23 points and seven assists against York on December 3rd, 1989. He has hit double figures in 12 games this year. The Montreal native did a masterful job on All-Canadian David King to vault the Stingers into the National Tournament. King scored a season low 8 points while Ferguson netted 16 in the East Section Championship.